

June 10, 2014

201403905 Nieves, Juan Manuel

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION STATE OF CALIFORNIA ATTN: SAFETY AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION 320 W FOURTH STREET SUITE 500 LOS ANGELES CA 90013

Re:

Date of Incident:

5/15/2014

Location of Incident: 6439 Danby Avenue, Whittier, 90606

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with the reporting requirements set forth in Resolution E-4184, this letter supplements the notice Southern California Edison Company (SCE) provided to the Commission via the web based reporting system on May 15, 2014 at 6:07 am regarding the above referenced incident. SCE is required to submit this information pursuant to Commission instructions. resolutions and the Public Utilities Code and SCE requests that the Commission hold this information confidential under Public Utilities Code Sections 583 and paragraph 2.1 of General Order 66-C, which specifically excludes from public disclosure accident reports that are submitted under Public Utilities Code Section 315. SCE contends that some or all of the following information is protected from further or public disclosure by the attorney-client privilege and/or attorney work product privilege. The provision of the information below at the Commission's direction is not a waiver by SCE of either the attorney-client privilege and/or attorney work product privilege.

Juan Manual Nieves, age 46, and a resident of the house at 6439 Danby Ave, Whittier, sustained fatal injuries when he came into contact with an energized, downed conductor that fell at the rear of his property. Based on witness reports, Mr. Nieves came outside his house after he heard a loud noise and contacted the conductor in his backyard.

On May 15, 2014, at 2:52 am, the Bronco 12kV circuit out of Narrows Substation relayed and reclosed when a mallard duck contacted an overhead section of the circuit at the rear of 10414 Rose Hedge Drive, Whittier. The duck contact caused the west and center phases of the three phase tap line to come together between Pole No. 857342E and Pole No. 857343E and the center phase, a #4 ACSR conductor, to separate midspan. This also resulted in a flash across the three phases at the top of Pole No. 857342E. SCE believes the resulting fault current on the tap line caused the east phase, a #6 copper conductor, between Pole No. 857337E and Pole No. 857336E to separate and fall in the backyard of 6439 Danby Ave, Whittier.

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SCE was notified of the electrical shock incident by Pico Rivera Sheriff Department at 3:11am. SCE field personnel responded and manually de-energized the tap line. Service to 109 customers was interrupted for approximately 12 hours while repairs were performed on SCE facilities.

The repairs consisted of replacing a span of two #6 copper and one #4 ACSR conductors between Pole No. 857342E and Pole No. 857343E, two SMU-20 fuses on Pole No. 857342E and one span of #6 copper conductor between Pole No. 857337E and Pole No. 857336E. At this time, the complete cost of repairs to SCE facilities has not been tabulated.

The downed #6 copper conductor caused arcing and minor burn damage to the roof of the residential structure at 6435 Danby Ave, Whittier. SCE is unaware of any other property damage or physical injuries beyond what is reported in this letter.

Sincerely,

Gregory Greene